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Dear Dave,

Ed Harvey's producer phoned late this p.m. to say that Specter's declined the confrontation (I do not blame him. It would be unfair) and that they are booked for the 20 and 21. I said if they got a cancellation to let me know. She said they'd like me another time and of course, I'd be glad, if it is a time I can make it. I want to get this next book moving. I expected to revise one of two chapter written earlier (part of one of which was already been stolen) today, but between the phone and the mail haven't been able to get started and it is now after 7:30 p.m. Once I get that edited I'll feel different and will want to do all I can. If you'd care to make any other arrangement with this time, assuming it is possible on another station, by all means do so it you consider it worthwhile. In that event I'd suggest if possible you figure on being there. I have something in mind that might please you if something works out.

After Fine called me this a.m. I spoke to ADEL and it is set for the next night, 7-8 p.m. They may tape extra phone calls and tape my answers after the program for use several days later, I believe Friday. They've never done it before but when I suggested it Rosbrook seemed to like it. I'll stay over, either at Glorias (more likely) or with my mother in Wil. If I have nothing to do in Phila. Wednesday I'll go to Wil and see the family a while. If there is anything I can do for Fine or Rosbrow, I'll be glad to (but I do not want to get in the middle and be unfair to either). Same for you, if I can do anything.

Diamondstein phoned today for another 1,000. They're entirely out. What merchandizing in the book wholesaling business! No body knows what is in stock. Because I thought they should be out, I phoned them 2 weeks ago when he was on vacation and everyone assured me they had plenty!

This things is going to jump again in the NYC area when that new TV special is played.

I'll call from Phila., and I'll bring the books, possibly more, in case United needs some.

Thanks. Regards

I know nothing about the autograph bit and have never done it except at meetings, but if it would be of interest or do any good on a morning and you'd like me to do it Wednesday morning, go ahead. Of it not autographs, if you think your customers or those you might like to attract as customers would like to talk to an author, if it will do you any good, again, go ahead. I know nothing about Phila, but in New York, with the college generation, this book is really doing and it could attract some of them to you. Never heard of a paperback store doing it, but why not a "first"?